

Onondaga Creek Subbasin Conceptual Revitalization Plan

DRAFT Working Group Meeting Minutes #21

5:30pm – 7:00pm, November 1, 2006;

Betts Branch Library, 4862 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, New York

Onondaga Creek Working Group: *Present:* Jim Daly, Bob Dougherty, Teresa Doherty, Bob Haley, Tarki Heath, Steve Kearney, Andy Maxwell, Paul Mercurio, Jeanne Shenandoah, John Snavlin; *Absent:* Kitty Burns, JoAnn Cucci, Marcia Duncan, Claire Fisher, Knowlton Foote, Chuck Goodman, Bill Guptill, Melody Holmes, Salendria Mabrey, Chasz. Parker, Ruth Pierce, Louise Poindexter

Onondaga Creek Sub-basin Conceptual Revitalization Plan (OCR) Project Team: *Present:* Atlantic States Legal Foundation (ASLF): Sam Sage, Richard Lee, Onondaga Environmental Institute (OEI): Meredith Perreault, Ed Michalenko, SUNY College of Environmental Sciences and Forestry (ESF): Richard Smardon, Bruno Takahashi; *Absent:* Canopy: Lee Gechas, City of Syracuse: William Owens; Cornell University Cooperative Extension (CUCE): Amy Samuels.

Additional Attendees: Vincent Esposito (City of Syracuse), Catherine Landis (SUNY ESF)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Point of Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
1	Administrative: Next meeting	The next Working Group Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6, 2006, from 5:30-7:00pm at Betts Branch Library, 4862 S. Salina Street.	
2	Stakeholder Organization Meetings	Dr. Smardon summarized the OCRP Project Team's strategy for upcoming stakeholder organization meetings. Dr. Smardon requested Working Group recommendations of stakeholder businesses to contact for future meetings, in the upper watershed of Onondaga Creek.	Working Group members will contact Ms. Perreault with suggested business names. Ms. Perreault will bring the stakeholder meetings strategy to the next Working Group meeting.
3	Suggestions for October fact sheets: Flood Control Fact Sheet	The Working Group reviewed the flood control fact sheet from the October meeting (attached to file copy only). A discussion of flood control structures ensued, encompassing questions of jurisdiction and permitting. Mr. Dougherty inquired about the purpose of the drop structure built at Dorwin Avenue. Dr. Smardon stated OEI would research the purpose of the drop structure for the Working Group.	OEI staff will research the purpose of the Dorwin Avenue drop structure and clarify its purpose.
4	Fisheries fact sheet discussion	Dr. Smardon asked Dr. Michalenko to summarize the fisheries fact sheet (attached to file copy only). The Working Group asked a number of questions and made suggestions for the fact sheet and accompanying map.	OEI staff will revise the fisheries fact sheet based on the Working Group's suggestions, including modifications to the map.
5	New and revised fact sheets	Dr. Smardon distributed a revised version of the pathogens fact sheet and a new habitat fact sheet (attached to file copy only) for take-home reading.	The Working Group will read the habitat fact sheet for the next meeting.
6	Sustainability assessment grant	Mr. Haley and Mr. Mercurio informed the group that the City of Syracuse, Onondaga County and Syracuse University have received an American Institute of Architects grant for a <i>Sustainable Design Assessment Team</i> to perform a sustainability assessment in Syracuse. A charrette is planned for December 2006.	Mr. Mercurio and Mr. Maxwell will keep the Working Group informed of upcoming meetings associated with the grant.

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith Perreault,
Recording Secretary of Onondaga Creek Working Group